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Kelly Goforth Charlotte Area Transit System 600 E Fourth Street Charlotte, NC 28202

RE:

Phase II Historic Architectural Resources Survey Report, CATS,

LYNX Blue Line Extension Light Rail Project, Northeast Corridor, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County,

ER06-1957

Dear Ms. Goforth:

Thank you for your letter of November 7, 2008, transmitting the above referenced survey report. We regret that our comments below were delayed by staff shortages. We hope that our providing initial comments, via email, has allowed CATS to begin its assessment the effects of the proposed undertaking upon historic properties. Those initial comments are repeated here, with the exception of the Park-n-Shop Supermart amd Elmore Trailer Sales and Trailer Park, for which supplemental comments are offered.

We concur with the findings and National Register evaluations contained in the report, except for the following properties.

Property #73 – Park-n-Shop Supermart, according to our files is not on the State Study List and is shown as being built ca. 1962. If this date is correct, we do not believe the property is eligible for listing in the National Register. However, if the supermarket was built prior to 1959, we will concur that it is eligible for the National Register. Please confirm the date of construction, so that a final determination can be made on this property.

Property #74 – Elmore Trailer Sales and Trailer Park, will need further justification if it is to be considered eligible. The business related buildings are interesting, but there is not enough information about the age of the trailers. How many post-1959 trailers are in the park? If the majority of the trailers are post 1959, we do not believe the property is eligible for the National Register.

Property #95 – George Locke DAR Memorial, we do not believe this property is eligible for listing in the National Register.

The following is a summary of the properties evaluated in the report and found to be eligible for the National Register or to maintain their eligibility for listing.

Philip Carey Company Warehouse

Orient Manufacturing Company/Chadwick-Hoskins #3
North Charlotte Historic District
W. T. Alexander House
Standard Chemical Products Plant
Republic Steel Corporation Plant
McNeil Paper Company Warehouse Complex
Chadbourn Hosiery Mills
Herrin Brother Coal & Ice Company Complex
General Motors Corporation Training Center

We also concur that the properties in Appendix A, which were evaluated and not considered eligible for listing, do no appear to warrant further study, barring additional information to the contrary.

Please provide us with an additional copy of the report and a spreadsheet that shows the Survey Site Number for each of the properties, other than those in Appendix A. This can be done when the Survey Site Forms/digital record for each is submitted.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comments, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-807-6579. In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

Sincerely,

cc:

Peter Sandbeck

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